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Memphis Jewish Federation Mobilizes Community to Join \$36 Million National Emergency Campaign to Support Ukrainian Jews



In 2017 a Memphis Jewish Federation contingent visited Kyiv to see the impact of Federation funding through overseas partners. In Kyiv's Holam JCC, Federation Board Chair Cindy Finestone painted with young children and learned folk dances from a group of elderly dancers.

Responding quickly and efficiently to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, Memphis Jewish Federation has joined the Jewish Federations of North America's (JFNA) \$36 million emergency campaign to provide humanitarian assistance to vulnerable Jewish populations living in Ukraine. Funds will be allocated through Jewish Federations' core partners, The Jewish Agency for Israel (JAFI), The Joint Distribution Committee (JDC), World ORT, and others who are on the ground in Ukraine, and will provide critical welfare where it is needed most and support to protect and safeguard Ukraine's Jewish community as

well as Jews in neighboring countries.

With life completely upended across the country, the needs are extraordinary and expanding. Hundreds of thousands are fleeing the conflict zone, with similar numbers trapped in war-torn cities, towns, neighborhoods, and apartment blocks. Food, water, and resources are in short supply and dwindling. Scores of citizens are sheltering in subway stations and basements, while many more take up arms for the first time in their lives to repel battalions of trained and coordinated soldiers. Support is needed immediately, and likely for months to come.

Emergency funds collected will be put to swift and targeted use, supporting urgent necessities like community security, shelter for the displaced, emergency needs in Jewish schools, and aliyah-related assistance. This support comes at a critical time to build on decades of effort in Ukraine, driven by donors' gifts to Federation's Annual Community Campaign.

"Memphis Jewish Federation and our parent organization JFNA have long-established relationships with partner agencies around the world. Anywhere there are Jews, we raise funds to provide critical services to those who are in vulnerable situations, like the conflict in Ukraine happening right now," said Federation Board Chair Cindy Finestone, who visited Kyiv in 2017 as a Federation delegate. There, she sat in the tiny apartment of an 83-year-old retired librarian living on a monthly pension of \$85 a month. Unable to walk well down stairs, the woman was all but homebound and dependent upon a JDC stipend for food and medicine to live with a modicum of dignity and comfort. And this was before her city was besieged by the Russian military.

"The situation in Ukraine today is very troublesome," said Cindy. "I think about the woman I met and the thousands like her who are facing displacement, lack of food and necessities, and constant threats to their lives. But this is what Federation is built for and what we do. We provide a safety net for those in need around the world."

Ukraine's Jewish community numbers about 200,000 people and close to 300 Jewish organizations dispersed over some 100 towns and cities, with the majority concentrated in Kyiv. Since the Russian invasion of Crimea in 2014, Ukrainian Jews have been profoundly affected by political and economic instability, and Jewish Federations and their partner agencies have provided ongoing support for communal needs and humanitarian aid.

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Ukraine's Zelensky to World's Jews: 'Do Not Remain Silent Right Now'

By Philissa Cramer

(JTA) – The morning after Russian bombs fell at the site of a 1941 massacre of Ukrainian Jews, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky called on the world's Jews to speak out about what is happening in his country.

Russia's attack adjacent to Babyn Yar, the Kyiv site where Nazis and local collaborators executed tens of thousands of Jews during the Holocaust, along with its bombing several days ago of Uman, the Ukrainian city where hundreds



Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky speaks during a press conference in Kyiv, March 3, 2022. Credit: Sergei Supinsky/AFP via Getty Images

of thousands of Jewish pilgrims visit each year, represent an attempt to erase Ukraine's history and identity, Zelensky said a speech delivered after another night of heavy fighting.

"Addressing all the Jews of the world: Don't you see why this happening? That is why it is very important that millions of Jews around the world do not remain silent right now. Nazism is born in silence," Zelensky said. "So shout about the killings of civilians. Shout about the killings of Ukrainians."

Jews and Jewish groups around the world have stepped in to support Ukrainian Jews, who number between 43,000 and over 300,000, depending on how the estimate is made. Many of those Jews have joined an exodus of refugees pouring over the country's borders.

In the eight-minute address, which his office published with English subtitles and in Hebrew translation, Zelensky did not mention that he himself is Jewish or

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My Teen Israel Experience



During her NFTY L'Dor V'Dor Summer Program in Israel, Memphis teen Hayden Miller made memories that changed the way she feels about her Jewish identity, like strolling the streets of Jerusalem with her friend, Sydney Shemper.

By Hayden Miller

Hayden Miller, daughter of Paige and Jed Miller, is a senior at Hutchison School. Memphis Jewish Federation's Lemksy Endowment Fund provided her with a Teen Israel Experience grant to help offset the cost of her NFTY L'Dor V'Dor (Jacobs Camp) program in Israel.

Most people live a lifetime battling some sort of internal conflict; often this conflict is their religion. Growing up I felt ashamed to be Jewish and would hide this piece of my identity as best as I could because of my conservative Christian community. When I came of age to have a Bat Mitzvah, I was so ashamed of being different that I invited no one. This summer has completely changed the way I feel about my Jewish identity. After spending the summer in Israel with my life-long friends, I now have a vastly different understanding of Judaism, which has led to a new understanding of myself. In Israel I saw and did the craziest things that I will remember forever.

As I lay in the Negev desert staring at the sky blanketed in stars, I knew this summer was much more than a vacation with my camp friends. In the first week of the trip, we endured physically intense hikes and a vast change in everything we were used to. However, all of that was secondary to the beautiful views, the amazing new people, and all the interesting things we so quickly learned within our first 7 days in the holy land. I am sure most teens who

attended the NFTY Israel Summer trip would agree that the first week was jam packed with truly unique experiences. The hikes were not only breathtaking but eye opening, and as our tour guides and leaders would share personal anecdotes or wise words, I would take that time in solitude to reflect on these lessons. Although I had been taught a good amount about the Torah through religious school, the lessons never resonated with me until I was firsthand in the holy land.

Without even realizing it, in my month in Israel I learned immense amounts about Judaism, Hebrew, Israeli culture, and the conflict amongst the Middle East while having the most incredible time of my life. This summer I learned what Israel fully encapsulated - so much. I was completely ignorant to the complexity of the countries' cultural and geographic diversity. Our group went from engaging in conversation with Orthodox Rabbis at the Western Wall to sharing a meal with Arab Israelis. We went from spending chilly nights in the dessert to sizzling temperatures at the Dead Sea. We went from city to rural, from temple to mosque, and many more vast differences that made the experience so impactful. and I cannot wait to return to Israel to see what more the diverse country has to offer.

I am forever grateful for this experience and will never forget the memories made and the lessons learned in Israel.

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While action is critically needed to address emergency needs emerging by the hour in the wake of war, it's worth noting that in addition to Jewish Memphis' long history supporting Ukraine's Jews through Federation, there are personal, tangible connections to the country and its people as well.

A Federation Board Member who supports the Annual Community Campaign in Memphis as a Lion of Judah, Alla Olswanger-Lubin is a Ukrainian immigrant with first cousins and friends still living in Ukraine. As of this writing, she hasn't heard from her Ukrainian family or high school friends living in Kyiv since the invasion began.

"It's just horrible, but I'm grateful that my Federation can contribute to solutions," she said.

In the heart of Jewish Memphis, Plough Towers is home to many Ukrainian immigrants, Jewish evacuees from the Former Soviet Union during the resettlement period in the 1970s and 80s through what is now known as the Wendy and Avron B. Fogelman Jewish Family Service. Executive Director Leigh Hendy reports that she's seen a change in the demeanor of this tight-knit group of residents since the invasion began and has been touched by conversations she's had with them and their adult children, most Ukrainian-born.

"One resident's daughter has been devastated through this, because she still has especially close friends there. She could barely talk without crying when she told me about talking to her friend who was sheltering in her apartment," said Leigh. "This woman can't go down to the building's basement where she would be safer because of her



Memphis Jewish Federation has joined Jewish Federations of North America's \$36 million national emergency campaign for Ukraine and is calling on the Memphis community to give.

asthma, and while the two were talking (the Memphis woman) could hear sirens going off warning of an imminent attack or explosion. It was so personal to her, which made it feel personal to me. I know that our Ukrainian families really feel this war, the sadness and fear of it."

As of this writing, Russian forces have penetrated into the city of Kharkiv, though so far making little progress as they face stronger-than-expected resistance from Ukrainian armed forces and citizen volunteers. Before the Holocaust, Kharkiv's Jewish population constituted an estimated 20% of the city but was devastated by the Nazis and subsequent Soviet rule. However, since the collapse of Communism, the city has experienced a remarkable resurgence of Jewish life. For the last several years, Memphis Jewish Federation has made an annual grant of \$15,000 to support

the Jewish community there, particularly in the form of food, medicine, heat, and homecare for some 6,500 Jewish poor and elderly in the region.

"Memphis has always stepped up to meet the needs of Jewish communities a mile away or even 5,600 miles away in Ukraine. Our community stands together with Ukraine and our fellow Jews who need to escape or survive," said Scott Vogel, board chair of Jewish Community Partners, which operates Memphis Jewish Federation. "With the war, the stakes are completely different and the situation much more urgent. But because of the long relationships we've had with them, I know JAFI, the JDC, World ORT, and their on-the-ground partners can be trusted with this difficult job of caring for our Ukrainian brothers and sisters."

Through JAFI, Federation gifts bring

Shlichim to Ukraine, send Ukrainian youth to Israel for immersive programs, support community security, and support Ukrainian Jews interested in making aliyah. JDC uses the funding to support Hesed centers across 1,000 locations, supporting 40,000 Jews living in poverty. Through World ORT, Jewish Federations have played an important role in the renewal of Jewish life through Jewish day schools, vocational training and more. Federation money also supports JCCs and Jewish youth programs to help younger generations reimagine Jewish life where it once was all but decimated.

"I have trouble verbalizing how important it is for us to support the Jews of Ukraine who can be completely alone, if not for the supported social service programs that Federation dollars support," said Scott Notowich, Federation's chair of Israel & Overseas. "I once sat in a Holocaust survivor's living room listening to her tell me that if the Federation-funded social worker didn't visit regularly to make sure she was taken care of, she would be totally alone in the world. She looks at this helper buying her groceries and visiting her in her home as a daughter. Today in Ukraine, there are scores of elderly survivors who are completely unable to leave their apartments and assisted living centers, and welfare visits can't happen because of the danger. But our partners are doing everything they can, and even working to invent new ways, to make sure these vulnerable people aren't forgotten."

This article contains elements previously appearing in Tennessee Lookout's article Ukrainians in Tennessee worry for safety of family and friends, by John Partipilo and Dulce Torres Guzman. HW

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that his own family members were killed by Nazis.

But his anguish over seeing a Holocaust killing site attacked was palpable, as he described how a TV station and sports complex had under Soviet rule been "built on the bones" of people murdered there "to erase the true history of Babyn Yar."

To Russia, he said, "You are killing Holocaust victims for the second time."

Babyn Yar, formerly known as Babi Yar, is the name of a ravine on Kyiv's outskirts where German troops murdered, with help from Ukrainian collaborators, at least 33,000 Jews in September 1941 in one of the largest massacres of the Holocaust. The Jewish Telegraphic Agency provided the first news report of the massacre

The ravine, a large open area with low-growing vegetation, is littered with multiple mass graves of Jews and other victims executed there. In recent years, a memorial museum site with several accompanying structures, still under construction before the Russian invasion, was constructed in the ravine.

"To the world: What is the point of saying 'never again' for 80 years, if the world stays silent when a bomb drops on the same site of Babyn Yar? At least 5 killed. History repeating..."

Zelensky tweeted immediately after last Tuesday's attack, which drew widespread condemnation from Jews and others

The bombing appeared to center on the TV tower, knocking out state broadcasting. According to the museum's Facebook page, it also resulted in damage to the memorial complex, although an Israeli reporter broadcasting from the site last Wednesday said the monument was unscathed. **HW**

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Mazel Tov

Jason M. Goldstein Named Member at Harkavy Shainberg Kaplan PLC



Jason M. Goldstein

Harkavy Shainberg Kaplan PLC recently announced that Jason M. Goldstein has been named a Member of the law firm.

Mr. Goldstein focuses his legal practice in the area of civil litigation, including contract disputes and negotiations, landlord-tenant matters, personal injury, in addition to business and commercial law, probate administration, and estate planning.

"We are pleased that Jason is the newest Member of Harkavy Shainberg," said Michael Kaplan, Managing Member of the firm. "Jason is bright and hardworking. He is respected by his colleagues and clients and is a valuable addition to our Harkavy Shainberg team.

Mr. Goldstein received his undergrad-

uate degree from George Washington University and his law degree from the University of Miami School of Law. He served as a law clerk at the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia in The Hague, Netherlands, and has international business experience in logistics and transportation

He is a member of the Litigation, Real Estate/Environmental Law, Probate and Estate Planning, and Technology sections of the Memphis Bar Association and is a member of the Young Lawyers Division of the Tennessee Bar Association and the TBA's Litigation, Estate Planning and Probate, and Real Estate Law sections. He also serves as co-vice chair of community impact on the Memphis Jewish Federation Board of Directors, and Senior Adviser to FedLED, the young leadership arm of the Memphis Jewish Federation.

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Joseph Horowitz Joins Glankler Brown, PLLC



Joseph Horowitz

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Joseph Horowitz concentrates his practice in the area of civil litigation. Mr. Horowitz has represented business owners and individuals in the trial courts, appellate courts, at binding arbitrations and mediations. He has over 30 reported appellate decisions and has tried and arbitrated numerous cases to verdict.

He has significant experience in litigating insurance coverage disputes, representing insurance carriers and insureds in complex coverage claims. He has litigated bad faith claims and declaratory relief actions brought against insurers, and on behalf of insureds, in federal and state courts. He is proficient

in a wide variety of insurance matters, including coverage issues related to general liability, employment practices, errors and omissions as well as claims involving interpretation of excess and umbrella policies.

Mr. Horowitz has successfully handled personal injury cases and estate matters. He has also litigated consumer protection cases in the trial courts and in arbitrations against companies alleged to have used unfair or deceptive business practices under the Fair Debt Collection Practice Act and Fair Credit Billing Act.

He is admitted to practice in Tennessee and New York.

He joined Glankler Brown in February 2022. Previously, he had worked for five years at a Memphis-area firm representing plaintiffs and defendants in a wide variety of civil matters. From 2007 until 2017, he was an in-house attorney at AIG Insurance in New York, New York where his practice focused on insurance coverage, appeals and insurance defense.

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Zelensky: 'I Don't Feel the Israeli Prime Minister has Wrapped Himself in the Ukrainian Flag'

By Ron Kampeas

(JTA) – Volodymyr Zelensky, the Jewish Ukrainian president under siege, said he was moved by pictures of Israelis standing in solidarity with his country during the Russian invasion — but not so much the Israeli leadership.

"I saw a beautiful picture today," he said in remarks translated into Hebrew by YNet, the Israeli news outlet that managed to attend Zelensky's press conference in Kyiv last Thursday. "Jews wrapped in Ukrainian flags by the Western Wall in Jerusalem. They prayed and I thank them for it."

But, he said, "I spoke with the Israeli leadership, we have not bad relations – but these things are tested in times of crisis. I don't feel the Israeli prime minister has wrapped himself in the Ukrainian flag." The Israeli government, wary of Russia's overweening influence and presence in the Middle East, has been slow to robustly condemn Russia's invasion of Ukraine, although it joined the United States in a U.N. General Assembly condemnation last Wednesday. (Tom Nides, the American ambassador to Israel, tweeted that Israel had been "helping rally more members" to join the vote.) Israel also reportedly has declined to share antimissile systems with Ukraine.

Zelensky spoke last Wednesday to multiple world leaders, including Israeli Prime Minister Naftali Bennett. He noted each conversation on Twitter, including the one with Bennett – but the tweet about the Israeli prime minister stood out because Zelensky did not thank him, as he did the others. HW

Jewish Historical Society of Memphis and the Mid-South to Show "Greenhorn" on Zoom with Writer Anna Olswanger and Director Tom Whitus

The Jewish Historical Society of Memphis and the Mid-South will present a special Zoom program on Sunday afternoon, March 20 at 2 p.m. Central Time, according to President of the Society Lorrain Wolf. Participants will view "Greenhorn," a powerful 25-minute film created from the book written by Anna Olswanger that brings "a human dimension" to the Holocaust.

Shoshana Y. Cenker will introduce and interview Anna Olswanger and the film's director, Tom Whitus, during the program. They will also explore how oral and written history can become a catalyst for writing and producing creative narrative and film.

Anna's middle school novel "Greenhorn" on which the film is based was inspired by a true story she heard from Rabbi Rafael Grossman z'l, the rabbi of Baron Hirsch Congregation for many years. The Indie film adaptation of the book premiered on both coasts, at the Landmark NuArt Theatre in L.A. and at the Museum of Tolerance in New York. "Greenhorn" was named a 2015 Audience Award Winner for Best Short Film Drama at the Morris and Mollye Fogelman International Jewish Film Festival at the Memphis Jewish Community Center.

Anna is a native Memphian and now lives in the Metro New York Area where she heads her own literary agency. She



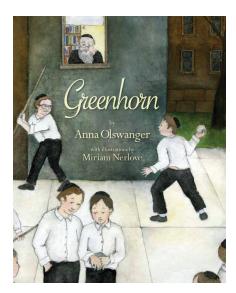
Anna Olswanger



Tom Whitus



Shoshana Y. Cenker





On the set of "Greenhorn"

is also the author of "Shlemiel Crooks," a Sydney Taylor Honor book and PJ Library Book, which she wrote after discovering a 1919 Yiddish newspaper article about the attempted robbery of her great-grandparents' kosher liquor store in St. Louis. The Kaufman Center in New York adapted "Shlemiel Crooks" into a musical for families.

Her latest book, a graphic novel titled "A Visit to Moscow," will be published by West Margin Press in May. It is based on another story she heard from Rabbi Grossman about a trip he took to the former Soviet Union in 1965 as part of a rabbinical delegation to visit Soviet Jews who were targeted with government sponsored anti-Semitism.

Tom Whitus, the director of "Greenhorn," has a 25-year career as an award-winning filmmaker. The founder of Midwestern-based Silver Hills Pictures, he has worked with Academy Award-nominated actors and produced films that have been seen on cable TV and all over the world.

Shoshana Y. Cenker is an editor for a financial company and a director of a freelance communications business, providing content writing, editing, proofreading, copywriting, and marketing consultation. She is a contributor to "The Hebrew Watchman" and to "Jewish Scene" among other publications. Shoshana and her three kids – twin boys Aiden and Kivi, and daughter Lyla – live in Memphis, with their two pups, Dreidel and Memphis.

Everyone is invited to participate in this program, which promises to be a "fascinating behind-the-scenes look into how film and narrative are inspired by history and real life heroes among us."

"We are so excited to have Anna and Tom join us with Shoshana, and invite everyone to Zoom with us," said Lorraine Wolf

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Barbara and Scott Klazmer: Supporting the Community That Shaped Their Lives



Barbara and Scott Klazmer with their grandchildren, Averi, 5, and Ryan, 3.

"I can remember being on my dad's shoulders, must have been 6, 8 tops, the day the Memphis Jewish Community Center (MJCC) pool house was dedicated," said Scott Klazmer, a local contractor and real estate agent, and life-long Memphian. "These days, my main exercise is lap swimming, and something happened again today, which happens a lot. I pulled into the MJCC parking lot for my swim and here comes the ECC kids, my grandson among them. He ran over for a hug, which happens frequently with good timing."

These bookend memories speak to a life lived deeply connected to the Memphis Jewish community and its people and places. From his earliest memories to a foundational tragedy, through marriage to his wife, Barbara, child-rearing, a successful career, and decades of impact as a philanthropist with Memphis Jewish Federation and the Jewish Foundation of Memphis, Scott has in turns benefitted from this community and its resources, and done his part to sustain it for generations to come.

Scott's childhood was like many from his generation, coming of age in the 60s and 70s in Jewish Memphis. During the week Scott was a student at the then Memphis Hebrew Academy (Now Margolin Hebrew Academy/Feinstone Yeshiva of the South), with sports and social events bringing him to the MJCC seemingly nightly. On Saturdays,

he would go with his family to Baron Hirsch Congregation for services. Unfortunately, this idyllic but traditional Memphis Jewish childhood all but came apart when Scott's beloved father, Marty, of blessed memory, succumbed to cancer a scant nine months after diagnosis, when Scott was 11.

"My dad, the poor guy, didn't live long enough to experience the milestones of life," said Scott. "He got cancer and passed away at 36, leaving four kids and my mother behind. Luckily, I'm a life-long Memphian and had my whole family here, which was great."

Scott also had the support of the community, something he remembers today as a philanthropist. When he needed someone to talk to, he found an open ear at Jewish Family Service (now the Wendy and Avron B. Fogelman Jewish Family Service). Through Baron Hirsch, Scott was given spiritual guidance and a network of caring adults who understood his family's situation and did what they could to help. And at the MJCC, Scott found the freedom and opportunities to shape his identity, and compassionate role models to guide him.

"Even as a little kid, I remember sitting in the synagogue or being in the MJCC and thinking about who the people were and what they did for a career. I'd see plaques on walls recognizing donations, and I was always very conscious of that," he said. "I just knew that as a 13-year-old without a father, I had a lot of good friends in the community. Ed Wiener, Phillip Baum, David Okeon – these men a generation older than me, I understood what they did to give back to the community, and they were mentors to me. I understood that I needed to step up as I grew up, and I grew up

fact "

Scott and Barbara are private about their philanthropy, often giving anonymously to support charitable organizations and causes. They've contributed to Federation's Annual Community Campaign since the 1980s, hold a Donor Advised Fund at the Jewish Foundation, regularly respond to Foundation's Needs List to fund resources for community organizations, and recently contributed to Foundation's Fogelman Jewish Family Service Endowment. They also contribute to causes meaningful to them, like Memphis Jewish Home & Rehab. For the Klazmers, being philanthropic isn't about other people seeing the Klazmer name on a plaque, but rather their emotional connection to the act of charitable giving.

"Years ago, my wife, Barbara, and I become Members in Perpetuity of the MJCC," he said. "That was a no-brainer – I know I'll be a member for the rest of my life, and I go there five or six times a week. Our names are on the wall there on that Star of David in the hallway (leading from the lobby to the gym) and it's something we're really proud of."

The Klazmers' names occupy the bottom-most tile in the star, forming the point of the lowest tip. Above the mosaic of names, a bold and familiar statement appears, one close to Scott's heart.

"'My father planted for me, so I plant for my children," he said, quoting the proverb. "I never wanted for food and clothes, but I did need community, and they came through for me and then some. That phrase pretty much sums up what I'm trying to do, or even who I'm trying to be, as a philanthropist. And I have always trusted Federation and Foundation to help me on this journey." HW



British Jewish Group Blasts Amazon for Selling 'Free Palestine Intifada' Clothing

(JNS) – Campaign Against Antisemitism has accused Amazon of promoting incitement against Israel by continuing to sell apparel that displays anti-Semitic slogans and images.

The online giant currently sells shirts that are emblazoned with the phrase "From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free," which calls for the forced removal of Jews from their homeland and for the destruction of the world's only Jewish

state. The description for one such shirt says "Free Palestine, defend Palestinian people, defund Israel" while another description says, "End Israeli occupation."

One brand selling on Amazon is called Free Palestine Intifada Clothing and in the description for one of its shirts, it says: "If you believe in a future where there is an end to Israeli occupation and Palestine and the Gaza Strip will be finally free this T-shirt is perfect to increase awareness. May the Palestine flag wave-free again and the innocent deaths come to an end."

Some apparel sold by Amazon features the image of a machine gun or a crossed-out Star of David while others promote a boycott of Israel, CAA said.

The Jewish Chronicle first reported on the clothing last week and cited Lord John Mann, the British government's anti-Semitism adviser, who found the items "appalling" and said, "We will need to consider whether additional sanctions can be initiated to stop this type of supplier facilitating the spreading of hatred."

CAA said last Wednesday that it wrote to Amazon about the anti-Semitic garments, but the clothing remains available for purchase online.

A spokesperson for CAA said: "The chant of 'From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free' ... is an attempt to deny Jews, uniquely, the right to self-determination, which is a breach of the international definition of anti-Semitism. Images of maps with the Jewish state erased only reinforce the genocidal sentiment behind the slogan. Amazon should make clear that its marketplace is no place for anti-Semitic incitement and remove these products from sale." HW



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B'nai Tzedek Students Participate in Collective Grant Making



Juliana Kaitibi, Camp, Youth, & Family Services director at the Memphis Jewish Community Center, speaks to B'nai Tzedek teens about her grant application for an inclusive summer camp program.

"Will this program happen without our funding?" "How many people would benefit from our grant money?" These are the questions Memphis teenagers, who are part of the B'nai Tzedek program, asked local Jewish non-profit leaders who applied for a B'nai Tzedek 2022 Co-Op Fund grant.

January through March is granting season for more than 50 students enrolled in B'nai Tzedek, the teen philanthropy program at the Jewish Foundation of Memphis, led by Sarah VanderWalde, director of Foundation Programs. Over the course of three meetings, B'nai Tzedek teens reviewed 11 applications from seven local Jewish organizations - Baron Hirsch Congregation, Beth Sholom Synagogue, Bornblum Jewish Community School, Memphis Jewish Community Center, Memphis Jewish Federation, Plough Towers, and Temple Israel. The total amount requested was over \$14,000, however the teens are tasked with allocating \$10,000, money generously provided by the Teen Philanthropy Co-Op Endowment Fund, created by an anonymous donor family in 2012.

"Due to the generous family who created the B'nai Tzedek Co-Op Fund, our B'nai Tzedek teens get to participate in the collective grantmaking experience, something most adults don't get a chance to do," said Sarah.

The teens ranked each application on a variety of criteria including consistency with Jewish values, creativity and clarity, whether the project is needed in the community, and whether it will change the lives of those it serves. Then the seven Memphis organizations who applied for grants met with the students – some on Zoom and some in person.

"This program enables our students to learn about the Memphis Jewish community," said Sarah. "At each meeting, we look at Jewish values collectively. And for the final grant-making experience, the students make strategic decisions, and ultimately allocate money that will change people's lives."

After listening to the presentations by grant applicants, the students continued discussing what to do. Some asked: "Is this truly needed or is it nice to have?"

"If we partially fund the program, will they get money from somewhere else?"

"I don't see how this will help the Jewish community."

"Can we give them more money than they asked for?"

"I am so excited for this program because Memphis really needs it."

The students made their final decisions on how to allocate \$10,000. They will present grant awards on Monday, March 21. More information can be found online at https://jcpmemphis.org/teen-philanthropy. **HW**





Bat Mitzvah



Joelle Ranne Judaken

On March 19, 2022, Joelle Ranne Judaken, daughter of Jaynie Cohen Judaken and Jonathan Judaken and sister of Julia Judaken, will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah at Beth Sholom Synagogue. To mark the occasion, Joelle will lead services, read from the Torah, chant the Haftorah, and give a D'var Torah.

Most of these skills derive from the fact that Joelle is in the eighth grade at Bornblum Jewish Community School where she is on the honor roll and a member of the National Junior Honor Society.

She is really excited about her upcoming trip to Israel in April as the culminating experience of her eight years at Bornblum. She looks forward to starting ninth grade as part of the pioneering cohort at University High School next year. Joelle is passionate about team sports and athletics, having bossed it in soccer, basketball, rock climbing and cross country. Sometimes mistaken for the Flash because of her need for speed, she has recently begun her second year as part of the Lausanne Lacrosse team.

Joelle has a deep appreciation for her Yiddishkeit, loving nothing more than the months she spends at Camp Ramah Darom each summer. Now that she will technically be a Jewish young adult, we hope the post-camp trauma is less overwhelming when she comes home this year. During the school year, she enjoys participating in JYG at Temple Israel (the middle school Jewish youth group).

Leading into her bat mitzvah, she has already been involved with B'nai Tzedek, which teaches Jewish teens the joys of philanthropy, something strongly encouraged by her grandfather Len Judaken. Teens pledge \$250 of their bat mitzvah gifts toward the Jewish Federation of Memphis. These funds are then matched by other donors. Perhaps more importantly, as a group the teens allocate \$10,000 to Memphis non-profits who submit proposals, which are vetted by the teens to determine what funding will have the greatest impact.

Joelle's involvement with B'nai Tzedek, her tzedakah work at Bornblum, along with her friendships and team involvement all highlight her superpowers: kindness, empathy, and emotional intelligence. **HW**

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Did You Know Medicaid May Pay You as a Family Caregiver?

Provided by Mike Stein, Managing Director – Investments, Wells Fargo Advisors. Questions for Mike about your financial wellbeing? Call 901.761.8151.

Each day, millions of parents, children, siblings, and spouses selflessly sacrifice their time and energy to care for family members affected by illness, injury, or disability. Their efforts help meet numerous social, financial, nursing, and everyday personal care needs such as help with bathing, feeding, and driving to appointments. More than half (58%) of family caregivers have intensive caregiving responsibilities.¹

If you are a regular caregiver of a loved one, you know it can exact an emotional and physical toll. It can be financially draining, too. However, in some cases Medicaid may offer financial relief.

Generally, Medicaid looks at the applicant's financial situation (income and assets) as well as his or her functional ability. An applicant who meets state Medicaid eligibility requirements can apply for a specific program that allows the individual to self-direct his or her own care, including the selection of a qualified caregiver who may be a relative or a friend. The caregiver is compensated, directly or indirectly, by Medicaid.

Medicaid rules and services are different in each state, and there may be more than one program that offers caregiver benefits. For instance, some programs may pay for family caregivers but exclude spouses or in-laws. Others may provide compensation only if the caregiver does not live in the same house as the person receiving care. Contact your state Medicaid office for information about its programs and respective eligibility requirements, or visit medicaidplanningassistance.org/state-specific-medicaid-eligibility/.

1) U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 2020

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Mitch McConnell Condemns Antisemitism After Republicans Greene, Gosar and Rogers Speak at White Nationalist's Conference

By Gabe Friedman

(JTA) – Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell chastised two fellow Republicans for attending a conference run by a well-known white nationalist, saying, "There's no place in the Republican Party for white supremacists or antisemitism."

House Reps. Marjorie Taylor Greene and Paul Gosar and Arizona State Sen. Wendy Rogers earned the ire of Republican leadership by speaking at the America First Political Action Conference in Orlando over the weekend. Its organizer Nick Fuentes has made a number of antisemitic and racist statements and is considered a white nationalist by the Justice Department.

Fuentes led a chant in support of Russian President Vladimir Putin, who had just launched a war on Ukraine, at the conference.

The Republican Jewish Coalition said the lawmakers' participation was "appalling and outrageous" and called Fuentes a Nazi sympathizer. In his condemnation, House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy cited a recent congressional Israel trip he joined.

"Last week, I was just in Israel," Mc-Carthy told PunchBowl News. "When I come back, I see two colleagues who went and participated with a group that has a leader that many times gives antisemitic views and led a chant for Putin. For me it was appalling and wrong. And there's no place in our party for any of this."

Greene defended herself by calling her Republican detractors "Pharisees" – a term that some Jews find antisemitic. The Pharisees were an ancient Jewish sect who have been described in Christian discourse as greedy hypocrites because of their criticism of Jesus.

Since last Friday, Rogers has tweeted several times about "globalists," often seen as a dog whistle for Jews, and George Soros, the Jewish billionaire who is often cited in right-wing, often antisemitic conspiracy theories. In one she called Volodymyr Zelensky, Ukraine's Jewish president, a "globalist puppet for Soros and the Clintons."

"I stand with the Christians worldwide not the global bankers who are shoving godlessness and degeneracy in our face," she tweeted last Friday.

Greene, Gosar and Rogers both have long histories of controversial statements and associations with extremists. Greene has been criticized by Jewish groups for most of her freshman term in Congress for comparing COVID-19 public health measures to the laws of Nazi Germany.

Gosar has ties to the Oath Keepers group, who were implicated in the Jan. 6 Capitol insurrection, and has previously fundraised with Fuentes.

Greene and Gosar also co-founded an America First Caucus last year, which called for "common respect for uniquely Anglo-Saxon political traditions," before abandoning the initiative. **HW**





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Chabad's Annual "Purim Around the World" Dinner Features "Mexican Purim Fiesta"

Now that we can once again celebrate in person, Chabad is looking forward to welcoming everyone back with the annual "Purim Around the World" Dinner, which will be held on Thursday, March 17 at the Chabad Center for Jewish Life.

This year's "Mexican PURIM Fiesta" begins with the reading of the Megillah at 5 p.m. followed by a full "Mexican-style Purim Dinner" at 5:30 p.m. with delicious desserts and a Margarita Bar for adults.

Participants will enjoy the delectable Purim Dinner while being immersed with Mexican-themed décor, food and entertainment.

There will be L'chaim for the adults and Mexican entertainment for the whole family including a Mariachi Band, Pepper Eating Contest, Mechanical Bull, and Mexican crafts for the kids.

Mexican- or Purim-themed costumes are encouraged, and children in costume will receive a prize.

"In keeping with Chabad's track record of Great Purim Dinners, this year's Purim Dinner & Party promises to be another great celebration," said Rivky Klein event coordinator. "So, sign up while we still have place. We look forward to welcoming you."

The cost is \$25 for adults and \$12 per child (3 - 12). Sponsors of \$360 or more receive a reserved table for 10. Reservations are required by Sunday, March 13 and are on a first-come first-serve basis. For more information and reservations visit www.JewishMemphis.com/fiesta or call 901-754-0404. HW

Israel, Germany Announce New Strategic Cooperation in A Significant Upgrade in Relations

(JNS) – Israel and Germany announced new strategic cooperation that is being hailed as a significant upgrade in relations amid the ongoing crisis in Ukraine.

In a joint press conference with German Chancellor Olaf Scholz in Jerusalem last Wednesday, Israeli Prime Minister Naftali Bennett said that the two leaders "have agreed on the creation of a new strategic cooperation between the State of Israel and Germany. This will be in the format of a bi-annual dialogue on security and diplomatic matters."

"I think that this is a significant upgrade in our relations," Bennett added.

The Israeli leader said that Scholz visit, which comes amid the Russian invasion of Ukraine as well as Germany and other world powers are engaged in talks with Iran over its nuclear program, comes at a "very fateful and sensitive time."

"We just spoke at length on the situation in Ukraine. Our obligation as leaders is to do our utmost to stop the bloodshed, to bring what is going on from the battlefield to the negotiating table as quickly as possible; it is still not too late," Bennett said.

Bennett also said Israel is "closely monitoring the talks in Vienna including the possibility that an agreement will be signed that allows Iran to install centrifuges on a broad scale within a few years. This possibility is unacceptable to us.

"Israel will know how to defend itself and ensure both its security and its future. We also expect our friends in the world not to countenance a massive installation of centrifuges in another twoand-a-half years, and to already prepare for the day after," Bennett said.

However, Scholz said that a new nuclear agreement with Iran "cannot be postponed any longer."

"What we would like to see is that an agreement is reached in Vienna," the German leader added.

The visit by Scholz, the first since he took over as German chancellor from Angela Merkel in December, was planned well ahead of the current situation in Ukraine and still went ahead despite the crisis.

Scholz also said that he discussed the situation in Ukraine with Bennett.

"We are extremely worried about the further course of the conflict. I want to repeat my call for all military action to stop immediately. Attacks on civilians and civilian infrastructure must cease. And of course, it's now about giving diplomacy a big opportunity again," The Israeli leader said that the German chancellor's visit, which comes amid the Russian invasion of Ukraine as well as Germany and other world powers are engaged in talks with Iran over its nuclear program, comes at a "very fateful and sensitive time."

Scholz said.

Last Sunday, Scholz broke with decades of Germany policy when he announced that he ordered the military to supply arms to Ukrainians, including 1,000 anti-tank weapons and 500 surface-to-air missiles. Furthermore, Scholz also announced a major increase in German defense spending.

Nevertheless, Israel has been more tepid in its approach to the Russian-Ukrainian conflict. While Israel has provided humanitarian assistance to the Ukrainians, it has stopped short of full condemnation or joining any western sanctions against the Russian regime.

Scholz said that Germany values its ongoing "strategic dialogue" with Israel.

"Germany will always stand fast by Israel's side," Scholz said. HW

For the First Time in Two Years, Art Returns to MJHR's Gomez Auditorium



Display by artist and photographer Dale Anderson

After nearly two years of shutdown, Memphis Jewish Home & Rehab's Gomez Art Gallery will re-open with an exciting exhibit from artist and photographer Dale Anderson. The main storyline of this exhibit features photos capturing the haunting beauty of the abandoned Mississippi River Group Camp at Meeman-Shelby Forest.

Dale is originally from Colorado Springs, Colorado, and says he, "had a typical life as the third and last child of a working-class family in the post-World War II boom of America." It was his grandfather, William, who was Dale's artistic inspiration. Both an artist and a teacher, William was the head of art instruction for the Wichita, Kansas school system for many years in the early 20th century.

"I inherited none of his artistic ability, but I still dreamed of being an artist and creating dramatic, beautiful things from nothing more than imagination," Dale explains.

He continues, "By 1972, the Vietnam conflict and the chaos I had created in my own life by dropping out of high school guided me to join the U. S. Navy.

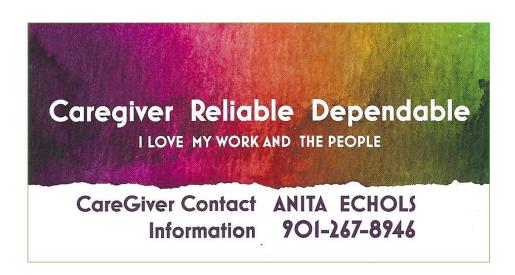




Military service. I had no plan, and no qualifications, so the Navy selected a job for me. I would become a Photographer's Mate, which at first seemed to me a simple enough job. Fortunately, it only took me a few months to make the connection between being a photographer and the art of my grandfather. I have been trying to honor him and his art ever since."

The exhibit opened on March 1 and will run for the entire month. We hope to see our residents and their visitors enjoying the gallery once again. A special thanks to Zoe Nadel, founder of the Gomez Art Gallery, for coordinating and curating the experience.

For an appointment to come view the gallery or more information on how to support Memphis Jewish Home & Rehab, contact Baylee Less at bless@memphisjewishhome.org or 901-756-3273. Currently, due to COVID-19 guidelines, the gallery is only open to residents and their guests. MJHR apologizes for this inconvenience. HW



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Hillel Working to Help Students from Ukraine as Kharkiv Chapter is Destroyed in Bombing



A photo shows damages to a building in Kharkiv's Constitution Square after shelling by Russian forces, March 2, 2022. Credit: Sergey Bobok/AFP via Getty Images

By Gabe Friedman

(JTA) – Before Russian troops invaded Ukraine, the Hillel chapter in Kharkiv was preparing to celebrate its 25th anniversary this spring. In fact, just one week ago, the group working with Jewish students and young adults was advertising a Saturday evening game night.

Now, its home has been destroyed, and Hillel International, the network of groups serving Jewish college students, is trying to figure out how to help its 600-plus students and employees in Kharkiv stay safe in their war-torn nation.

Last Wednesday, the historic central

Kharkiv building where Hillel has operated – located at 1 Constitution Square – was shelled and destroyed by Russian troops who are assaulting Ukraine's second-largest city. Kharkiv sits just miles from the country's border with Russia.

The attack was the latest evidence that sites of Jewish significance would not be spared as Russia expands its attack on civilian sites across Ukraine.

No one from Hillel was injured in the bombing, Hillel International CEO Adam Lehman confirmed to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. He said he had seen photographic evidence of the building's destruction and that he could not disclose details on how Hillel, the Jewish Agency and other groups were working to get Hillel students and employees to safety.

But Hillel has launched a fund to help get supplies to its employees and other Jewish refugees gathering in countries such as Germany and Poland. And the group is also working to convert Hillel spaces across the region into temporary housing for Jewish students and others displaced by the conflict, with bathrooms, showers, blankets, pillows and mattresses.

Lehman added that while the group has been in almost hourly contact with its five Ukrainian chapters throughout the conflict, the situation in Kharkiv is quickly deteriorating. According to a regional Ukrainian governor, over 20 Kharkiv residents were killed and more than 100 injured in last Wednesday's round of attacks, the fiercest yet as Russian forces try to take the city.

"In some cases, I expect that we will see [Hillel] professionals and their families finding safety in other countries. That would include places like Poland, Germany, Israel and the U.S.," Lehman said

Yulia Pototskaya, director of the Hillel in Kharkiv – whom Lehman called "really courageous" –told Haaretz that she would not leave the city and that some of her students were taking up arms in the fight.

"We have volunteers from Hillel, students who went to the army, and we

hope that Ukraine will be saved because Ukraine is a very wonderful place," she said.

Lehman added that not all of the Hillel students want to be evacuated out of the country.

"These are people who, in many cases, feel unbelievably committed to Ukraine as their home and as a country," he said. "They have families, their family members have deep connections, and so it has not been as simple as trying to facilitate evacuation."

Hillel has five outposts throughout Ukraine, including chapters in Kyiv, Lviv, Dnipro and Odessa, and several others throughout the former Soviet Union. More than 15,000 students are affiliated with 24 Hillels across the region, in countries such as Poland, Germany, Moldova and Georgia.

Unlike in the United States, where chapters are affiliated with specific universities, global Hillels function more as community centers for Jewish students and young adults into their early 30s.

Jews from around the world with a connection to Hillel Kharkiv were lamenting its destruction last Wednesday after learning the news.

"It's tragic, and we are going to do everything we can not only to take care of staff, but as one of our most senior professionals in Ukraine shared with me earlier today, to hopefully get to the point where we can rebuild and maintain the strength of the Jewish community in a free and democratic Ukraine in the future," Lehman said. HW

Turkey Denies Russian Request to Sail Naval Vessels Through Turkish Straits

(JNS) – Turkey has rejected a request from Russia to sail several naval vessels through the Turkish Straits, the Japan-based Nikkei Asia reported last Wednesday.

The report cited Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu as telling Turkish media the previous day that Ankara was invoking the 1936 Montreux Convention, "which gives Turkey the authority to restrict passage through the Bosporus and Dardanelles straits."

"Ankara politely told Moscow that it would not be allowed, Cavusoglu said," according to the report.

"Russia wanted to transit four naval vessels on Feb 27-28 through the straits, but according to our records, three of them were not registered to Black Sea home bases. Hence, we told Russia not to transit these ships and Russia told us, they will not transit them," Cavusoglu was cited as saying. "We informed this today to all Montreux Convention states officially," he added.

The Montreux convention regulates the key waterway between the Black Sea and the Mediterranean Sea. Turkey is a member of NATO.

"During peacetime, warships have free access through the straits if they give prior diplomatic notification to Turkey. The convention also offers different levels of authority to Turkey, according to whether the situation is peacetime, wartime, or if Turkey itself is "threatened with imminent danger of war," the report stated.

"In a friendly manner, we told Russians not to transit these ships. We told Russians and others not to have hard feelings, as Montreux is valid today and tomorrow and we will implement it," Cavusoglu said. **HW**



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Mel Brooks Sings an Ode to the Automat in a New Documentary About the Famed New York Eatery

By Andrew Lapin

(New York Jewish Week via JTA) – If you never experienced a meal at an Automat – an innovative "automated restaurant" that was once a fixture of mid-century New York City – then allow iconic Jewish comedian Mel Brooks to explain:

There was nothing like the coffee at the Automat

Its aroma and its flavor were supreme From a silver dolphin spout

The coffee poured right out

Not to mention, at the end, a little spurt of cream.

"At the Automat," Brooks' original song celebrating the joys of this unique type of restaurant –particularly its five-cent coffee – plays over the end credits of "The Automat," a new film that the funnyman describes as a "meshugenah documentary" about the eateries.

The playful, nostalgic film by director Lisa Hurwitz charts the history and culture of Horn & Hardart, the company behind the ur-fast food restaurants in Manhattan and Philadelphia that promised, under a somewhat dated slogan, "Less Work For Mother." The food was served through small, coin-operated glass doors.

The chain's low prices and unique service model helped it thrive during the Great Depression and into the 1960s, attracting scores of downtown lunch-goers. Hurwitz, a former talent booker for Seattle's Jewish community center, calls in a cavalry of New York Jews to reminisce about the joys of waiter-less dining.

Brooks and his late friend and comedy partner, Carl Reiner, both sheepishly admit that their go-to order was the ham-and-cheese sandwich. Ruth Bader Ginsburg says she believes that the eatery attracted a unique and democratic cross-section of America because it did not require anyone to speak English in order to eat. Jewish actor Elliott Gould also waxes nostalgic.

Archival footage recalls how the famously cheap Jewish entertainer Jack Benny once hosted a gala ball at the Automat, handing every celebrity a roll of nickels as they walked into the establishment in their formal wear.

Hurwitz self-financed and shot the film over a decade, which accounts for the many interviewees who appear posthumously – not just Reiner and Ginsburg, but former Secretary of State (and Yiddish-speaking son of the Bronx) Colin Powell and, significantly, John W. Romas, the former vice president of engineering for Horn & Hardart. Romas describes how he helped design and build the coin-operated contraptions that brought forth the bargain delicacies.

Also appearing is the Jewish chairman and former CEO of Starbucks, Howard Schultz, who notes that his chain took a lot of inspiration from the restaurants. "I always had the Automat in my mind's eye," he explains. "How do you create that level of theater, excitement, surprise and delight?" (Schultz, whose employees are engaged in a growing unionization effort, is absent during the segment of the film that discusses a failed union drive by Horn & Hardart employees.)

But the highlight of the film is unquestionably Brooks and his song, celebrating a time when you could get great coffee poured out of a spigot for a nickel. Ironically, according to Hurwitz's film, that coffee would prove to be Horn & Hardart's downfall, as the company lost money on every cup yet refused to raise its prices for years. Faced with competition from savvier cheap-coffee purveyors like Chock Full o' Nuts, a mass exodus of customers to the suburbs and a growing perception that its establishments were becoming gathering spots for homeless people and drug addicts, the Automat withered throughout the '70s and '80s until closing its last remaining store in 1991.

Today, signs of the restaurant's influence are cropping up once again in modern establishments, from self-pour taprooms to a new automated dumpling shop in the city. Perhaps the Automat, and its silver dolphin spout, could make a comeback.

"The Automat" is currently playing in New York at the Film Forum and in Los Angeles, with more nationwide theatrical showings to follow. **HW**

OBITUARIES



Alfred Greenberg

Alfred Greenberg was born on January 9, 1933. He and his twin brother, Albert, (who did not survive infancy) were the first set of twins born in 1933 at St. Joseph Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Max and Edith Greenberg, and two of his brothers, Herbert (Sonny) and Paul (Peppy).

Alfred was raised in Glendora, Mississippi, and then later moved with his family to Memphis. Alfred was a graduate of Humes High School, and after graduation he joined the Marine Corps. He returned to Memphis, where he at-

tended University of Memphis and began working for Irving Evans Construction Company. Alfred was known for building several of the streets around Memphis.

On May 24, 1959, Alfred married Diane Mednikow. They lived in Memphis and Germantown where Alfred was a well-known custom home builder in the Germantown area. Alfred was an avid racquetball player, who participated in area tournaments. He also loved swimming, playing cards, traveling with his family and going to the beach. A favorite past time was meeting three times a week with the coffee club at Germantown Center. Alfred and Diane moved to Germantown Plantation after retirement where he enjoyed the social events and playing poker.

Alfred is survived by his lovely wife, Diane; daughter Robin Pohlman (Jeff) and son Randy (Derna). He also leaves behind five grandchildren, Andrew (Heather), Devon, Paola, Abby (Jimmy) and Alex; great-grandson Oliver Pohlman, brother Dr. Sidney Greenberg, and several nieces and nephews. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to the charity of the donor's choice. **HW**





Pesach/Passover Catering





Appetizers

Chicken Broth Soup	\$20/qrt. (2 servings per qrt.)
Matzah Balls	
Charoset	\$15/pint
Gefilte Fish	\$3.75/piece
Chopped Chicken Liver	\$20/pint

Side Dishes (half pan serves 10-12)

Apple Matzah Kugel	\$30/half pan
Broccoli Soufflé	\$30/half pan
Sweet "Noodle" Soufflé	\$30/half pan
Potato Kugel	\$30/half pan

Entrees

Slow-Braised Roast Beef with Gravy	\$75/half pan (12 servings)
Herb-Roasted Whole Chicken	\$25/each
Stuffed Cabbage	\$35/half pan (12 servings/frozen)
Stuffed Peppers	\$35/half pan (12 servings/frozen)

Desserts

Jelly Roll	\$15/each
Macaroon Cookies	\$12.50/dz
7-Layer Cake	\$22/cake

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Orders will be ready for curbside pickup on **Friday**, **April 15**, **between 10:00am — 2:00pm**. Please provide credit card information when placing your order — your card will not be charged until the week of pickup.





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Introducing Jewish National Fund-USA's DREAM ISRAEL TEEN TRAVEL Initiative

JEWISH NATIONAL FUND-USA is taking investment in Zionist education to the next level by providing all Jewish teens with the life-changing and transformative gift to study in Israel - an experience proven to remain with young adults as they grow through high school and college and into adulthood.

Through Dream Israel, a new initiative supported by JNF-USA's Boruchin Center, Jewish high school students can receive up to \$7,500 in grants to put toward a study abroad program with a top-notch trip provider. The trip providers include JNF-USA's non-denominational and pluralistic Alexander Muss High School in Israel, the Reform Movement's URJ Heller High, and the Conservative Movement's Ramah TRY and USY High. JNF-USA's Boruchin Center also funds Orthodox programs in Israel.

Studies have found that young Jews who spend six weeks or more in Israel during their formidable teenage years prior to college have a greater understanding and unbreakable appreciation for Israel and the continuation of the Jewish community. While in Israel, students establish a physical attachment to the land and people as they live and study 4,000 years of history where it happened. They return home as knowledgeable, strong advocates for the Jewish State.

What makes this grant initiative stand apart is its fundraising component. Students receive their Dream Israel grants by fundraising for a JNF-USA philanthropic project in Israel. The amount they raise determines the grant amount they receive - a unique component that teaches teens the value of *tzedakah* (Jewish philanthropy) and fundraising for Jewish causes, which makes their investment in Israel more meaningful.

Jewish National Fund-USA is investing in our youth because they are the future - the future leaders of the Jewish community and the Jewish world. Thanks to the Dream Israel initiative, we are sending more teens to Israel and strengthening the next generation's Zionism, Jewish identity, and commitment to Israel and the Jewish community.

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